# TRIDENT UNITED WAY'S

# Birthday in a Box Project

A fun and creative project assembling ready-made birthday celebrations for families in need.

REMOTE VOLUNTEER PROJECT

Send email to <u>volunteer@tuw.org</u> to participate.





# Birthday in a Box Assembly Instructions

**Step 1:** Select a new or like-new box measuring approximately 12x9x4" in size. Line and affix wrapping paper to the inside of the box.

Step 2: Include one of each of the following required items:

Disposable Cake Pan OR (2) Disposable Cupcake Pans

Boxed Cake Mix

Canned Frosting

16 oz. Bottle of Vegetable Oil

Pack of 8 (or more) Party Plates

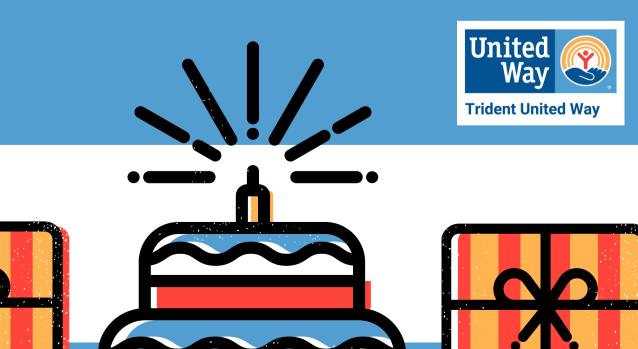
Pack of 8 (or more) Party Napkins

Candles

Birthday Card

**Step 3:** You may choose to include any of the following *optional* items: Party Hats, Sprinkles or Streamers.

**Step 4:** Seal the box with packing tape and tape the Sneak Peek Sheet to one side of the box.





#### How will the boxes be distributed?

Boxes will be distributed by Trident United Way Resource Connection Center staff to clients they serve. If we receive a surplus of birthday boxes we don't have space for, we will share them with our food pantry partners for distribution.

#### Can I make a themed box?

Yes, you are welcome to make a themed box but we ask that themes can still serve multiple ages; e.g. a Superman theme is great for ages 4-12. Whereas a baby animals theme would limit the age range it applies to.

#### What is the Sneak Peek Sheet and where do I find it?

The Sneak Peek Sheet tells us a little about the contents of the box such as theme, food contents and expiration dates to make selecting a box for a family quick and easy. It also allows us to accommodate food allergies as best as we can. You should have received the document when you notified Trident United Way about your participation. If not, please email <a href="mailto:volunteer@tuw.org">volunteer@tuw.org</a>.

## How many boxes can I make?

You can make as many boxes as you'd like! If you do so, we ask that the majority of the boxes have a broad appeal birthday theme and only a few with a specific theme.

## Where should I drop off my box(es)?

Birthday boxes can be dropped off at Trident United Way's Main Office at 6296 Rivers Ave. Suite 200 North Charleston with attention to Strategic Volunteer Engagement. Office hours are 8:30am - 5pm Monday - Friday.

### Can I do this project at any time?

Yes, this project is available year-round. Trident United Way promotes it annually during the month of April in hopes of stocking up on boxes for months to come.

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